

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CAREER
OF SPECIAL AGENT-IN-CHARGE
CJ HYMAN

HON. TREY GOWDY

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Mr. GOWDY. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation in honor of a friend and an exceptional Special Agent-in-Charge at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. I want to recognize the career of Special Agent-in-Charge CJ Hyman, who retired in December after more than 30 years of distinguished service at the ATF.

Whereas, Special Agent-in-Charge Hyman began his career with the ATF in 1987, as a Special Agent in Charlotte, North Carolina. There Special Agent Hyman played an integral role in the forming of the Charlotte Violent Crime Task Force, in which he investigated and prosecuted narcotics and firearms trafficking as well as robberies, kidnappings, and homicides. Special Agent Hyman would be selected to lead the task force for five years, during which time he supervised and led the investigation of Eric Rudolph after he bombed an abortion clinic in Birmingham, Alabama, in 1998.

Whereas, over the course of 30 plus years, Special Agent-in-Charge Hyman served in numerous other leadership positions including as the Resident Agent-in-Charge in the Greenville, South Carolina Field Office for ten years and as the Special Agent-in-Charge of the Charlotte Field Division, encompassing both North and South Carolina. In each position that Special Agent-in-Charge Hyman has held throughout his career, he has provided outstanding leadership and integrity in his service to the Carolinas.

Whereas, 31 December 2017, Special Agent-in-Charge Hyman officially retired from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, having faithfully served this great nation for more than 30 years. Be it

Resolved, That I, Trey Gowdy, do congratulate Special Agent-in-Charge CJ Hyman, his wife Leslie, their two children, Josh and Casey for their unwavering commitment and devotion to service of our great nation and thank them for their unwavering loyalty, dedication and contributions to the Carolinas and the Fourth Congressional District of South Carolina.

HONORING JUDGE CHUNG PAK

HON. JAMIE RASKIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my constituent and friend, Judge Chung Pak, for his extraordinary career in public service and his exemplary commitment

to serving his community and the great State of Maryland.

Judge Pak is retiring after 31 years of splendid government service. For more than 23 years, Judge Pak served as an Administrative Patent Judge with the U.S. Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB), where he adjudicated more than 6,000 patent cases and personally issued over 2,000 opinions. Judge Pak has also served on the PTAB New Judge Training Committee, the PTAB Publication Committee, the Board of Patent Appeals, the Patent Academy Course Review Committee, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Diversity Council.

Judge Pak embodies the spirit of the American Dream and the immigrant success story. In 1971, he immigrated with his family from South Korea to Alabama, where he worked at the local Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant. In high school, he played nose guard on the football team, but it was his extraordinary skill on the tennis court that ultimately earned him a scholarship to Auburn University. After earning a degree in chemical engineering, Chung attended the Columbus School of Law at the Catholic University of America, where he became a moot court champion.

Prior to his appointment to the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, Pak was an intellectual property counsel at Praxair, Inc. and Union Carbide Corporation, where he worked on a wide range of issues including domestic and foreign patent procurement, litigation, trade secrets, antitrust, and licensing. He also served as a Primary Patent Examiner and an Assistant Patent Examiner at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for more than eight years.

Judge Pak is a widely-respected community leader who has volunteered his time and invested his energy in a number of state and local causes. He has served as Co-Chair of the NAACP Montgomery County's Multicultural Partnership Committee, Board Member of the Senior Executive Association, member of Germantown Police Advisory Committee, member of the Maryland Attorney General's Advisory Council, and as a Maryland Higher Education Commissioner.

In recognition of his passionate commitment to public service, Judge Pak has received the President's Volunteer Service Award, the Maryland Governor's Volunteer Service Award, Progressive Maryland's Progressive Leader Award, and the Montgomery County Police Department's Award of Appreciation. He was also inducted into the Montgomery County Human Rights Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Judge Chung Pak for a long and distinguished career in public service and in celebrating his dedication to his community and our country.

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS
OF DR. EUGENE G. ARTHURS

HON. SUZAN K. DeBENE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Ms. DeBENE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Eugene G. Arthurs, a visionary leader, dedicated scholar, and passionate advocate for science and technology, on the occasion of his retirement from SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics. Dr. Arthurs led SPIE from its headquarters in Bellingham, WA. During his tenure, SPIE grew to 19,000 members and 264,000 constituents representing optics and photonics experts and industry leaders in 166 countries, making Bellingham the home to a top international scientific society.

Dr. Arthurs' distinguished career as a physicist, educator, CEO, and global photonics community leader provided him with the opportunity to share his passion for the science and beauty of light with students, researchers, and politicians across the globe. He was one of the driving forces behind the launch of the National Photonics Initiative (NPI), an alliance of top scientific societies uniting industry and academia to raise awareness of photonics. He has been a tireless spokesperson for the need of the science and technology community to engage with policymakers.

Before he joined SPIE in 1999, he spent 25 years working in photonics in the United Kingdom and the United States. He was the first member of his family to get a science degree, receiving his Bachelor of Science with honors in physics and his doctorate in applied physics from Queens University Belfast. He taught optoelectronics at Queens and conducted research at the Imperial College of London before immigrating to the United States in 1980.

I would like to thank Dr. Arthurs for his commitment and dedication to the field. He has been an asset to the science policy community, and his guidance in the creation of the NPI provided a solid foundation in photonics advocacy work. I wish him the best and hope he continues to find inspiration in his future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. GREGORY
O. DIAS, JR.

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I, along with my colleague, Representative DEVIN NUNES, rise today to honor the life of Mr. Gregory O. Dias, Jr., affectionately known as "Butch," who unexpectedly passed away on December 16, 2017.

Mr. Gregory O. Dias, Jr. was born in Hanford, California on December 31, 1948. His

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